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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Sugiyama, et al.
Serial No.: 08/960,431
Filed: October 10, 1997
FOR: FLATTENING METHOD AND
FLATTENING APPARATUS
OF A SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE

Docket No.: 30598.0004
Art Unit: 3723
Examiner: Nguyen, G.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration is respectfully submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed on December 20, 2000.

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REMARKS

I. Introduction

Applicants' counsel wishes to thank Supervisory Examiner Joseph J. Hale, III for the courtesies extended during our telephonic discussion of January 10, 2001, in which Supervisory Examiner Hale and Applicants' counsel discussed the present Final Office Action. As a result of

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RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Applicant(s): Sugiyama, et al. Docket No.: 30598.0004

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TITLE: FLATTENING METHOD AND
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

Attached herewith is a Request for Reconsideration for the Office Action mailed on December 20, 2000 in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION, CLAIMS AS AMENDED:

	Claims remaining after amendment	minus	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims	21		21	= 0 x \$ 18.00 =	0.00
Independent Claims	4	minus	4	= 0 x \$ 78.00 =	0.00
If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (per application)				\$260.00 +	N/A
				Subtotal	0.00

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Fee Calculation: Request for Extension of Time pursuant to
37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

[]	Response filed within first month after due date – add	\$ 110.00
[]	Response filed within second month after due date – add	\$ 390.00
[]	Response filed within third month after due date – add	\$ 890.00
[]	Response filed within fourth month after due date – add	\$1390.00
[]	Response filed within fifth month after due date – add	\$1890.00
	TOTAL:	

If one of the “small entity” boxes above is checked, enter half (½) of the second subtotal and **subtract**.

Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98

N/A

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE ENCLOSED

\$.00

[] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2814 in the amount of \$_____.
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This statement does NOT authorize charge of the issue fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this Application and the resulting Official document under 37 C.F.R. §1.20, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-2814 for which purpose a **duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.**

Respectfully submitted,

By R. Lee Fraley
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Dated 3/5/01

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